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Mt. Carmel Commencement.

Thursday evening marked the close of a very successful year in the history of Mt. Carmel convent. The commencement exercises in the evening at the Garcia opera house were attended by an audience that filled the auditorium. San Miguel band generously furnished music for the occasion. The programme was well selected and the manner in which the various numbers were rendered showed painstaking effort in preparation on part of both instructors and pupils. All did so well that it would be difficult to tell who excelled. The numbers most applauded were, perhaps, La Tapatia, a song; Socrates Snooks, a recitation; La Golondrina, a song by the vocal class; and The Owl, Parrot, Duck, and Crow, a song. Mt. Carmel convent has done much valuable work for the young ladies of Socorro and vicinity and it is to be hoped that the years of the usefulness of the institution may yet be many.

New Cases Docketed.

New cases are docketed in the office of the district clerk as follows: The Territory of New Mexico, ex rel George Parker, vs. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Socorro, mandamus; Abrian Abeyta vs. Carlota Lucero de Lopez and Jose A. Lopez, to sell real estate; George E. Bailey vs. Ellen Bailey, divorce; Charles F. Blackington vs. The Board of County Commissioners of Socorro County and Socorro county, mandamus.

Double Tracking the Santa Fe.

The work on the second track on the Santa Fe railway between the city of Raton and the Raton tunnel is progressing rapidly, the tents of the workmen being strung along the line from the city to the tunnel. The additional track is an extensive improvement and will take some time to complete it, as there are many heavy cuts and fills to contend with.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

BLACKINGTON VS. COUNTY.

History of a Case That Is of Interest and Importance to Citizens of Socorro County.

The case of Sheriff Blackington against Socorro county for the collection of fees and expenses amounting to nearly eight thousand dollars for the year 1900 is of unusual interest. THE CHIEFTAIN does not care to go into a discussion of the merits of the case at the present time, but for the benefit of its readers gives the history of the case, which is as follows:

December 26, 1900, Sheriff Blackington recovered judgment against Socorro county before Judge Crumpacker, Judge Leland then being absent from the territory, for \$7,990.01. After the appointment of Judge McMillan in the summer of 1901, the county employed special counsel who together with the district attorney made a motion to vacate and set aside said judgment. In the affidavit accompanying this motion it was alleged that the county was not indebted to Blackington and that there was a large amount of improper and excessive charges. Subsequently an attempt was made to file an answer pleading the Bateman Bill and the Springer Act.

The court in its discretion set aside and vacated the judgment and permitted the county to set up any plea which would go to the merits of the claim, but as a default had already been regularly entered the court affixed as the terms of vacating the judgment that the county should not plead the technical defense of the Bateman Bill or Springer Act.

From the order fixing these last terms the county appealed to the supreme court of the territory. The supreme court remanded the case, which in effect affirmed the judgment of the district court. The case was then heard before Judge McMillan, the district attorney representing the county, and judgment was found in favor of Sheriff Blackington for \$7,769.13. An alternative writ of mandamus has been issued on the county commissioners to issue bonds in payment of the judgment and the matter is now before the district court for hearing. This writ was made returnable on the 11th inst. and the case will be taken up as soon as the court can reach it.

It will be noted that the amount of the judgment rendered on the second trial does not agree with that rendered on the first. This is accounted for by the fact that on the second trial \$899.88 was stricken out of Sheriff Blackington's account. There was added, however, \$679 interest, these two items making the difference between the amounts of the two judgments.

Koonville Koonles.

This renowned aggregation will again make their appearance in our city on the Fourth of July at the Garcia opera house. This season the company is composed of twenty-two stars, who at the solicitation of Mrs. L. B. O'Gara have generously agreed to donate the entire proceeds of the evening's entertainment to the Socorro cemetery association. Mr. A. E. Howell, treasurer of the association, will act as door-keeper. The caste on this occasion will be the side-splitting comedy, "The Old Maids' Convention," and the roaring farce, "Our Baby Will Be There."

The cause is a noble one, that of fencing the city cemetery. No one can pay a more fitting tribute to the memory of departed friends than to preserve their last resting place from desecration. Let every citizen show his interest in this cause by doing all he can to secure a full house at this entertainment.

Company H Encampment.

Company H will go into camp for one week near the city as soon as all equipment arrives, which will be soon. The week will be devoted to field manoeuvres. Arrangements will be made to entertain all visitors to the camp. A reception and ball will be given and the camp will be beautifully lighted for the occasion. Captain Matthews and his lieutenants will go out Sunday to select a site for the encampment.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Business Transacted at the Temple of Justice This Week.

Sylvestre Abeyta y Sanchez, whose trial on a charge of murder resulted in a hung jury, was required to give a new bond in the sum of \$4,000.

In the case of Eduardo V. Baca vs. the Board of County Commissioners of Socorro County and Socorro County, the court rendered judgment in behalf of the plaintiff for \$1,516.96 with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent from December 22, 1900, together with costs. Charles F. Blackington's suit of the same character against the county resulted also in his being given judgment against the county for \$7,769.03 with interest and costs.

Jim Davis was brought before the court charged with stealing sheep. His case was dismissed at the cost of the territory.

Wm. D. Armstrong, Frank Armstrong, Jose Montoya, Jose A. Montoya, Jose Baca, J. M. Allen, and John Hilton pleaded guilty to the charge of violating the Sunday law. Sentence in these cases was suspended on payment of costs. The same charge was brought against Thomas Armstrong, Harry Armstrong, Eliseo Barreras, and Patrick S. Higgins, but the suits were dismissed at the cost of the territory.

Miss Effie Berry was appointed to take testimony in the divorce suit of Floriana Trujillo de Lopez vs. Juan Lopez.

The judgment of the lower court was affirmed in the case of U. S. Grant vs. J. N. Broyles.

HON. W. S. GEORGE DEAD.

Socorro County Loses a Prominent and Honorable Citizen.

News was received in this city yesterday morning that Hon. W. S. George was buried at his home at Cooney Monday, June 9. The announcement came as a surprise to the many friends of the deceased in this vicinity, for while it was known that he was not in good health it was not supposed that his case was so serious.

THE CHIEFTAIN is indebted to Jas. G. Fitch for the following biographical sketch:

William S. George was reared in Baltimore, Md. In early life he removed to St. Louis where he accumulated a competency in business. In 1884 Mr. George came to Socorro county in the interest of himself and other large stockholders in the Peacock Mining Co., organized to operate in the Mogollons. The company failed utterly, but Mr. George stayed pluckily with the country. He was engaged in various business ventures. He served with credit in the New Mexico legislature in 1891 as representative of Socorro county, was for many years U. S. court commissioner for the western part of the county and the evidence in many important land contests was taken before him. In former years deceased was a frequent visitor in Socorro and was a valuable acquisition to the social circles of the city. He was widely and favorably known, of affable and pleasing manners and strict integrity. Heretofore submitted to a severe surgical operation which is supposed to have resulted in his death. Mr. George leaves a widow, Mrs. Susie E. George, to mourn his loss.

Compromise Mine Case.

The history of the Compromise mine case which was brought over from Lincoln county and has occupied the attention of the court for nearly the entire week is briefly as follows: The Compromise mine, in the White Oaks district, was attached for debt, bought in by the creditors, bonded to Colorado parties for \$1,500, rebounded to El Paso parties for \$45,000. The original owner, Mr. B. H. Dye, now seeks to show that the attachment was invalid and asks to be put in possession of the property. The plaintiff is ably represented by Honorables W. B. Childers and E. L. Medler of Albuquerque. The defendant is no less ably represented by Honorables H. B. Fergusson of Albuquerque, R. E. Lund of White Oaks, and Elfigo Baca of Socorro.

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OF HOME INTEREST.

House to rent. Inquire of C. T. Brown.

J. L. Wells of Cerrillos greeted his friends in Socorro Wednesday.

Ports and Angelica wines at the Palace Saloon.

Dr. L. E. Kittrell made a business trip to Albuquerque yesterday.

Ice cream and crushed fruit at Katzenstein's.

Victor Sais of Casa Colorado was among the visitors in town yesterday.

Just received at the Palace saloon, California claret wines.

Charley Cooney came home Wednesday from a sojourn on the sheep ranches.

A full line of taffeta silks in the latest colors at Price Bros. & Co.

Chas. F. Adelman was in from Water Cañon the first of the week on business.

The very latest style in Eagle Shirts just received at Price Bros. & Co.

Mrs. Seferino Abeyta left this morning for a month's visit with relatives in Sabinal.

Ziegler Bros.' ladies' shoes and Oxfords of the very latest styles just received at Price Bros. & Co.

Avery Smith and Pierre Hines joined the Socorro colony in Water Cañon Wednesday.

Mrs. Vane. Dressmaking and all kinds of sewing. Satisfaction given. Room 26, Park Hotel.

Miss Anne W. Fitch and Helen Terry went out to Water Cañon Wednesday morning for an outing.

H. Bonem of the well known firm of H. Bonem & Co. of San Marcial had business in this city Tuesday.

It is reported that Lon Allen of Magdalena and Miss E. Potter of Deming were married at the latter place recently.

Hon. H. B. Fergusson of Albuquerque has been in town this week attending to his interests in the suit over the Compromise mine.

May & Yunker are now delivering continental oil from a brand new oil wagon that rivals the rainbow in variety of colors and brightness.

Eight citizens of White Oaks registered at the Windsor Monday. They came as witnesses in the important suit concerning the Compromise mine.

L. R. Babcock of Kelly brought his children down to the circus yesterday. Mr. Babcock does not hesitate to say that he likes to go to a circus himself.

Prof. and Mrs. Chas. Mills of Mesilla Park spent Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Mills' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Wickham of this city, on their way to Oregon to visit relatives.

Capt. A. B. Fitch was in the city yesterday on a strictly business errand. The Captain concluded, however, that as he was here he might as well attend the entertainment under the tent.

Dick Abeyta is now the proud owner of the horses and carriage recently the property of Dr. Edwin Swisher. Dick parted with \$350 when the rig became his, and it appears to be worth the money.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dodds came in Thursday from their home near Monticello for their daughter Miss Lillie who has just completed a year at Mt. Carmel convent. They left for home this morning.

Adolfo Torres of Kelly was in town Monday on his way home from Palomas hot springs. Mr. Torres tells of some wonderful cures of rheumatism effected by means of mud baths at the Palomas springs.

The Windsor hotel bar has received today direct from Owensboro, Ky., five barrels more of the famous M. V. Monarch whiskey—old and ripe, none better. In fact, this bar handles no cheap goods. One price and the best goods to everybody.

Miss Pearl Berry left Thursday morning for Deming where she will visit a month with her sister, Mrs. Cipriano Baca, and family. She was accompanied by her nephew Willard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hill.

F. C. Williams and wife have been in town several days visiting Mr. Williams' sister, Mrs. Henry Graham. Mr. Williams was recently employed at the Graphic mine. He now expects to go to the Black Range.

J. B. Squires left yesterday morning for a visit at his home in Philadelphia. Mr. Squires expects to return to Socorro soon and may become a permanent resident, a fact which will greatly please his many friends here.

D. J. Cloyd, a former student at the School of Mines, spent Monday in town on his way east from Aguas Calientes, Mexico, where he is employed at an excellent salary as chemist for a big mining company. Young men who equip themselves thoroughly at the School of Mines always do well.

C. T. Brown has just added a large number of beautiful and rare specimens to his mineral cabinet. These specimens were brought from Europe, Asia, Africa, and Australia and from the islands of the sea. Mr. Brown is well on the way toward the collection of the finest cabinet of the sort in New Mexico.

W. C. Phalen, for two years Professor of Chemistry at the New Mexico School of Mines, has just taken the master's degree at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and will remain at the institution next year as an instructor in mineralogy and lithology. He will spend the summer in geological field work near Boston and in Nova Scotia. Professor Phalen's many friends in Socorro will congratulate him very heartily on his success in his chosen line of work.

A. D. Coon entertained a number of his gentlemen friends at high five Saturday night in a manner they will long remember with pleasure. After the games were finished a luncheon was served to which the highest possible tribute was paid. Miss Gladys acted as hostess for the evening, entertaining the guests with several well rendered selections on the piano. The guests present were Messrs. Greenwald, Rouiller, Griffith, Dougherty, Kittrell, Hammel, Collins, and Drake.

J. M. Allen and J. W. Hilton came down from Magdalena Monday to pay their respects to his Honor Judge McMillan and square accounts for certain violations of the Sunday closing law. While these gentlemen were in town it transpired that the abandoned wretch who came to Socorro to inform against them borrowed money of them to pay his car fare. Needless to say, however, he did not state the nature of his errand. Just how many drinks this revelation cost Messrs. Allen and Hilton can not be told but they were lucky if they escaped without ruining their credit.

Howe's Great London Shows.

The circus yesterday attracted a large crowd who went away evidently well pleased with the performance. The bicycle whirl was an entirely new feature in such entertainments and well merited the applause that it received. No better acrobatic performance has ever been seen in Socorro than that of the Florence family. Altogether, Howe's Great London Shows are of a high order and abundantly worth the price of admittance.

Notice, Co. H.

Notice is hereby given that regular Friday night drill is postponed to Saturday night for this week. All members of Co. H will therefore report for drill Saturday night. There will be the usual band concert during drill.

T. J. MATTHEWS,
Capt. Comdg.

When the boarders begin to draw the color line at hash the same old combination comes up in the guise of croquettes.

THE CHIEFTAIN office has just been supplied with a stock of card envelopes.